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MEMORANDUM FOR: Hon. J. Edgar Hoover/ Director

Federal Bureau of Investigation

SUBJECT:

Communist Party Oaths and Pledges

Pursuant to an urgent request received yesterday from

General Cutler, I have sent him this morning the attached memorandum
giving a brief survey of Communist Party practices with respect to
oaths and pledges taken when joining the Party. While this memorandum is based largely upon practices abroad, it also refers to the
situation in this country, and in this connection I have pointed out
that this phase of the matter is particularly within the competence
of the Bureau. Please see the attached copy of my covering letter
to General Cutler.

Allen W. Dulles

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